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DECLARATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.132

- I, Ana Aguilera Barreto, do hereby declare as follows:
- 1. I am a co-inventor of U.S. patent application serial number 10/540,296.
- 2. I am part of the team that designed and conducted clinical trials (phase II and phase III) to test the efficacy of the methods claimed in the `296 application. See Exhibits B and C attached hereto.
- 3. In the phase II study, three (3) groups of patients suffering from hemorrhoids were observed. Group I was given a placebo. Group II was given a placebo with sodium salicylate. Group III was given recombinant streptokinase plus salicylate. See Exhibit B.

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- 4. The phase II study observed patients after 5 days of treatment. In Table 1, Group III shows 52.4% of patients had a reduction of more than 90% of the initial size of the lesion by day 5. Groups I and II had a significantly lower response.
- 5. Table 2 of the phase II study shows the percent of patients that had a decrease of more than 70% in size of the initial lesions and elimination of pain and edema ("total response") on day 5. Group III showed 66.7% of patients had a total response. Groups I and II showed 36.8% and 35.0% total response, respectively.
- 6. The data collected in Exhibit B clearly shows that the active ingredient, streptokinase, was the cause of the effective treatment of the hemorrhoids.
- 7. The phase III study compared treatment of patients suffering from hemorrhoid disease with Preparation H® and streptokinase. At the various treatment milestones, it is shown that patients treated with streptokinase showed a significant increase in treatment of their hemorrhoids over patients treated with Preparation H®. See Exhibit C.
- 8. Furthermore, in the application as filed, the compositions tested and compared in Example 5 and Table 2 consist essentially of streptokinase (SK) or tissue-type plasminogen activator (t-PA).

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Respectfully submitted,

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